

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This response has been prepared in relation to the Office Action dated May 17, 2007 regarding the above-identified patent application.

In that Action, and recognizing that claim 1 is a generic claim, the Examiner asserted the identities of three invention species which he linked, respectively, to (a) Figs. 1 and 2, (b) Figs. 2 and 4, and (c) Figs. 5 and 6. Applicant believes that asserted species (b) is correctly linked to Figs. 3 and 4, rather than to Figs. 2 and 4, and responds herein with that "correction" in place.

Regarding this position, the Examiner has requested that applicant reply with an identification of an elected species, and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

Accordingly, applicant, without traverse, elects species (c), illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6, and notes that all four claims presented in this application read on that species.

Favorable consideration of this application, and early allowance of all claims, are respectfully solicited. If the Examiner has any questions regarding the amendment or remarks, the Examiner is invited to contact Attorney-of-Record Jon M. Dickinson, Esq., at 503-504-2271.

Provisional Request for Extension of time in Which to Respond

Should this response be deemed to be untimely, Applicants hereby request an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any

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